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The Snapshot

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A SENIOR LOOKS FORWARD

A strain of the famed Pomp and Circumstances can be heard in the not too far distant future, and each and every senior listens to it with mingled emotions. Fond thoughts of the "tower and the dial" are a comfortable, secure, happy reflection, while thoughts of the cold, cruel world seem less inviting.

The prevailing pastime of the senior is happy reminiscing of the rigors of razzing, the frustrated days of Hat Hunt, Sophomore Sallies, Junior Board, and each year's special activity that lingers in our thoughts and scrap-books. The happy reflections, however, are curtailed a bit by thoughts of clinical training, the first teaching position, or the great decision of taking one job or another.

Perhaps as a psychological factor to keep us from becoming too introspective, the senior calendar is crammed with exciting things to do--everything from teas and parties to four hour Carnegie Foundation Tests. There isn't a great deal of time to give vent to our fears and anticipations.

One of the best ways to express what the senior's last days are like would be to give you a few snatches of typical senior conversation. "Where will you be in August?"...."Oh, my clinical schedule is wonderful; I can't wait until I get to the T.B. San"...Of course the teaching position won't pay as well, but it's a better opportunity..."I've had three refusals and they say teachers are hard to get"...

All of that mingled with, "Have you set the date?"..."What's your wedding dress like?" and "Are you going to use your education after you're married?" makes up the greater part of the senior chatter.

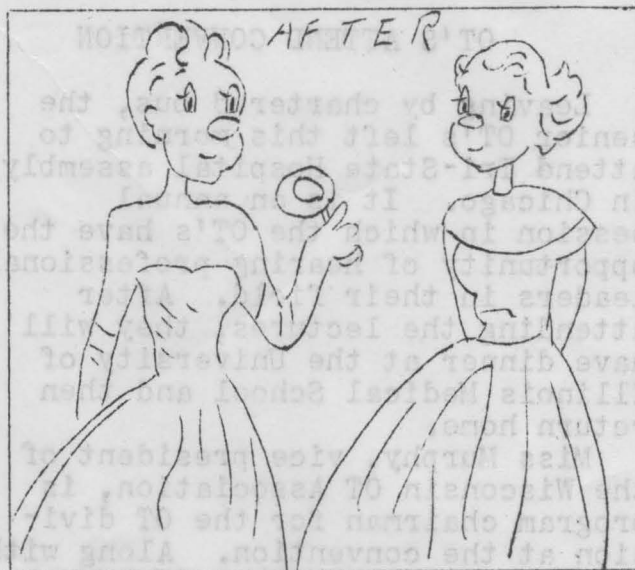
Although we do look eagerly forward, we are, too, looking backward, remembering our pleasant, happy days at MDC: and it will be with reluctance and sadness that we listen to the strains of our familiar Downer Recessional.

Jan Wilson



UP IN THE CLOUDS

Sent straight from the celestial bodies (seniors of '47) to us will come "47th Heaven." Sally Gruetzmacher will be the shining star assisted by members of her court who are: Betty Jermain, Betty Robertson, Bernadette Young, Barbara Houghton, Sally Roney, Marilyn Davidson, Connie Van Ert, and Mary Cutler Ellsworth. The couples will enter the golden gate to heaven and gently sway under a full moon to the enchanting strains of Carl Byrne's orchestra. Presentation of the queen and her court will take place at 10:30. Guests of honor include Miss Briggs, Miss Cameron, Miss Calbick, and Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Swansen. Tickets will be on sale soon at \$3.60 per couple. You won't want to miss "heavenly" prom.



SABIN'S SECRETS

Although one generally associates Sabin Hall with serious study, it does have a lighter side. It offers amusement and absorbing enjoyment for many.

It is a Shangri-la for the girl who likes to work with her hands. She can do wood work, metal work, or basketry. In the Geology Department, she can make fossil molds in clay, color maps, or play with blocks showing the structure of rock layers. Those really enthusiastic about plants and gardening will find soil, seed fertilizer, and water--all the things they need for planting.

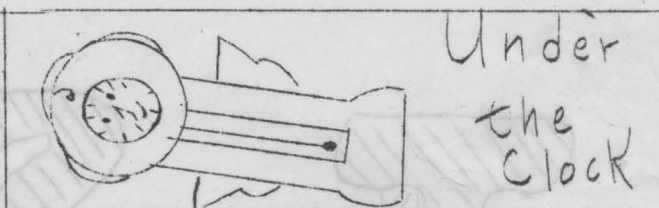
Then too, there is an air of mystery in Sabin. Those who are curious might like to know what is in the hundreds of bottles in the Chem Lab, or what is behind the many doors that students do not generally open. Who was the skeleton in Zoo Lab? Does anyone know? Along with this mystery, Sabin harbors a few freak specialities. Note the rock that bends in Miss Greacen's collection. For optical illusions refer to the Physics Department. If you feel you have an unusual mind try the Psychology Department.

Some of the people who spend their time in Sabin do rather startling things. Jane Tremper and Peggy Derse solved the problem of unpleasant odors in the Zoo Lab by wearing gas masks one day. Some girls from a Phys class ran wildly up and down the stairs and then lay down on the hall floor where they took their own pulses keeping time with the hall clock. One of Miss Caswell's pupils reported on paper that "A drop of acid was introduced to a test tube." It seems that every Chem Lab has a girl who asks, "Will hydraulic acid hurt my cut?" Betty Fass and Martha Rankin enjoy Sabin so much they practically live there. It offers everything, even food, (by the courtesy of the H Ec department)

OT'S ATTEND CONVENTION

Leaving by chartered bus, the senior OT's left this morning to attend Tri-State Hospital assembly in Chicago. It is an annual session in which the OT's have the opportunity of hearing professional leaders in their field. After attending the lectures, they will have dinner at the University of Illinois Medical School and then return home.

Miss Murphy, vice president of the Wisconsin OT Association, is program chairman for the OT division at the convention. Along with the OT's, will be about 25 of our students now in Clinical Training.



To avoid conflict with Hat Hunt, the studio Club Auction has been postponed until May 20 at 4:20.

The annual spring meeting of the Association of Geology Teachers will be held on the Downer campus May 9 and 10. Business meetings, scientific sessions, lectures, field trips, and social events are included in the planned program.

Blue jeans and shorts will be in styles at the Aeolian Club picnic May 7th. It will be held in Lake Park.

Initiation of new members of the Delta Chapter of Phi Beta Kappa will take place this evening in Greene Lounge. Part of the program will be Amy Uchimoto's reading of her prize winning paper on "Atomic Energy and World Peace." Candidates for initiation are Betty Domrose, Rita Persenico, Mary Ritchie, Connie Van Ert, and Phyllis Weikert. Presiding will be Dr. Inez Richards.

Students and faculty are welcome to attend the initiation which begins at 8:00.

ANTIGONE ANTICS

It is no longer news that on May 24th "Antigone" will be presented in Merrill. But what is news is that the play has undergone transformation at the hands of Miss Cerrato and Miss Reber. They have approached the task of recreating the play into an acting version of contemporary significance without sacrificing the beauty and power of the original classic.

As a result of Miss Cerrato's and Miss Reber's efforts to make one good play from several versions, Downer girls selected to enact this story for you have a script that is simple, yet strong; moving, yet contemporary in spirit. The theme that no man nor law effects the destruction of personal integrity is now brought to you in a story that seems designed for this world in which you are playing a part. You see, Antigone is only twenty years old, and like many young girls must decide whether to sacrifice love and family devotion for her ideals.